

REMARKS

Claims 3-9, 11-46, 49-54, and 57-59 remain in the application for consideration of the Examiner with Claims 1, 2, 10, 47, 48, 55, and 56 standing cancelled.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections are respectfully requested in light of the above amendments and following remarks.

Claims 1, 2, 10, 47, 48, 55, and 56 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102 as being anticipated by Ono.

The cancellation of these claims obviates the rejection of these claims.

Applicants appreciate the indication that if Claims 3-9, 11-15, 49-54, and 57-59 were rewritten in independent form including the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims, these claims would be allowable.

It is respectfully submitted that Claims 1, 4, 10, 49, and 57 have been placed in independent form including the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

It is respectfully submitted that these claims are now allowable.

Furthermore, Applicants appreciate the indication that Claims 16-25 and 26-46 are allowed.


In light of the above, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in condition for allowance, and notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

While it is believed that the instant response places the application in condition for allowance, should the Examiner have any further comments or suggestions, it is

respectfully requested that the Examiner contact the undersigned in order to expeditiously resolve any outstanding issues.

To the extent necessary, Applicant petitions for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any fees in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to the deposit account of Texas Instruments Incorporated, Account No. 20-0668.

Respectfully submitted,



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